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Intimations.

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Hongkong, November 24, 1896.

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Victoria, 3,167 Tons, Tuesday, Mar. 23, 1897.

Olympia, 2,608 Tons, Tuesday, April 13, 1897.

Bismarck, 3,601 Tons, Tuesday, May 4, 1897.

THE Steamship TACOMA, Captain P. A. WHEELER, R.N.R., sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 9th March, will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.) and TACOMA (Wash.), via SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

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Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 6 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, OARLILL & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, February 27, 1897.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI, The Steamship Lyceum, Capt. G. H. EBERMANN, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 2nd Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 1, 1897.

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, VIA STRAITS AND USUAL PORTS OF CALL.

(Taking Cargo at through rates for GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL, CONTINENTAL PORTS, RIVER PLATE, &c.)

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 1, 1897.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

By special request of

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'Les Cloches de Corneville'

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This will be positively the last Performance of the Opera.

Doors open at 8.30 p.m.

Curtain rises at 9 p.m., precisely.

Prices as usual.

The Booking Office at the Theatre will be open on and after

THURSDAY, 4th March, at 10 a.m.

Late Trains: hour after fall of Curtain.

E. W. MITCHELL, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, March 1, 1897.

KANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1896.

CONTRIBUTORS to the above Office are requested to furnish the Underwritten with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December, in order that the Distribution of BONUS may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st day of March Instant, will be adjusted by the Office and no CLAIMS adjusted by the Office will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, Ltd.

Hongkong, March 1, 1897.

In the Matter of Ordinance No. 2 of 1892, and

In the Matter of the Petition of GEORGE WILLIAM NATHANIEL HAMILTON, of Gulg St., Albert Park, in the Colony of Victoria, Australia, Claimant, for LETTERS PATENT for the exclusive use within the Colony of Hongkong, of an 'Invention for an Enamel Paint and composition of materials for composing same.'

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Petition, Specification and Declaration required by the above Ordinance have been duly filed in the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong, and that it is the intention of the said GEORGE WILLIAM NATHANIEL HAMILTON, by HENRY LARDNER DENNIS, his duly-authorized Agent and Attorney, to apply at the sitting of the Executive Council hereinafter mentioned for LETTERS PATENT for the exclusive use within the said Colony of Hongkong of the above-named Invention.

And Notice is also HEREBY GIVEN that a Sitting of the Executive Council, before which the matter of the said Petition will come for decision, will be held in the Council Chamber, at Government Buildings, on

H. L. DENNIS, Solicitor.

64, Queen's Road Central, Agent for the said GEORGE WILLIAM NATHANIEL HAMILTON.

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TOWKAYS and WORKMEN who have experience in Concrete Works are WANTED for the CONSTRUCTION of the N. C. RAILWAY RAILWAY near Hing-poo. Apply to Henriquez Rodriguez, No. 8, St. Francis Yard, Wanchai.

ROYAL RAILWAY DEPARTMENT, Bangkok, February, 1897.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.

The Co.'s Steamship Hailong, Captain J. DAVIS, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 4th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 1, 1897.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA (FLORIO & RUBINATO UNITED COMPANIES).

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Hongkong, March 1, 1897.

To-day's Advertisements.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Thirteenth Ordinary Annual Meeting of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 15th March, at Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1896, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The THIRTY BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 15th Instant, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, March 1, 1897.

OLIVERS FREEBORN MINES, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the CALL of \$1.50 per share on B shares numbered

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F. G. FINE, First Lieutenant

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Catherine Aps* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. of the 2nd March, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Honkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Wharfedale, Consignees of Cargo from Singapore and Penang are requested to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON, SOON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 27, 1897. 403

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *CANDIA*.
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Honkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where such consignments will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed. This Vessel brings on Cargo:—From Madras, ex S. *Clanville*. Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 10 a.m. on Monday. Goods not cleared by the 4th Proximo, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever. All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no Claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.
Hongkong, February 26, 1897. 407

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Calcutta*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Honkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, where delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 5th March, or they will not be recognized. All broken, chipped and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on Friday, the 5th March, at 3 p.m. No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 5th March will be subject to rent. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 26, 1897. 403

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW. The Co.'s Steamship *Itan*, Capt. HAYASHI, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 2nd March, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLASS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, March 1, 1897. 409

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The Co.'s Steamship *Itan*, Capt. HAYASHI, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 2nd Proximo, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers, Hongkong, February 25, 1897. 304

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TAIWANFOO. The Co.'s Steamship *Chihai*, Capt. NAKAMURA, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 2nd March, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, February 27, 1897. 415

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR CHINKIANG (DIRECT). The Co.'s Steamship *Tamsui*, Capt. VAUGHAN, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 4th March, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, February 27, 1897. 414

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA. The Steamship *Canton*, Capt. J. C. OLIVER, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 6th March, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SOON & Co., Agents, Hongkong, February 27, 1897. 420

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT). The Co.'s Steamship *Nanchang*, Capt. HAYASHI, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 6th March, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, February 24, 1897. 392

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SAMARANG AND SOERABAYA. The Co.'s Steamship *Shantung*, Capt. FRANKLIN, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 8th March. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, February 26, 1897. 401

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Co.'s Steamship *Orizaba*, Capt. BARTLETT, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 8th March. For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, February 26, 1897. 405

SHELL LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR HAVRE, LONDON & HAMBURG. (Taking Cargo at through rates to COPENHAGEN, STOCKHOLM, NORRKPING, GÖTEBORG, DANTZIG and KÖNIGSBERG, with transshipment in HAMBURG.) The Co.'s Steamship *Orizaba*, Capt. BARTLETT, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 10th March. For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents, Hongkong, February 22, 1897. 375

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

JAPAN-AUSTRALIAN LINE. MONTHLY SERVICE. (Under Mail Contract.) The Co.'s Steamship *Yokohama*, Capt. E. S. BARNES, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 2nd March, at 4 p.m. This Steamer possesses Superior Passenger Accommodation and carries a duly-qualified Doctor and a European Stewardess. For Freight or Passage, apply to NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents, Hongkong, February 23, 1897. 394

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Steamers.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT). The Steamship *Yokohama*, Capt. HAYASHI, will be despatched for the above Port at Noon, on FRIDAY, the 5th March. For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, February 25, 1897. 397

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI. The Co.'s Steamship *Itan*, Capt. HAYASHI, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 5th March, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, February 27, 1897. 413

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

TRANS-PACIFIC LINE. MONTHLY SERVICE. FOR SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, VIA MOBI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU. Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the UNITED STATES, CANADA, and EUROPE, in connection with the Great Northern Railway and Atlantic Steamers. Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in Quadruplicate, and one Copy must be mailed by the Steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Great Northern Railway, Seattle, Wash. For Freight or Passage, apply to NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents, Hongkong, February 27, 1897. 410

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE. The Co.'s Steamship *Taiwan*, Capt. NAKAMURA, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 12th March, at 3 p.m. The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engine Room. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A duty-qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, February 20, 1897. 373

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Steamship *Orizaba*, Capt. BARTLETT, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 10th March. S. S. *Macdonald*, to sail about 22nd March, 1897. For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, February 27, 1897. 423

RICKMERS' REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR BREMEN AND HAMBURG. The Co.'s Steamship *Orizaba*, Capt. BARTLETT, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 12th March. For Passage, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents, Hongkong, February 27, 1897. 412

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The American Barque *Orizaba*, Norris, Master, will load here for that Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Hongkong, February 10, 1897. 294

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 100 A.T. British ship *Falls of Dee*, Lock, Master, shortly expected, will load here for that Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Hongkong, February 4, 1897. 293

Fees for Public Vehicles.

IN VICTORIA WITH TWO BEARERS.
Half hour . . . 0.10
Three hours . . . 0.60
One hour . . . 0.20
Six hours . . . 0.70
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) . . . 1.00
If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.
BEYOND VICTORIA, WITH FOUR BEARERS.
Hour . . . 0.80
Six hours . . . 1.50
Three hours . . . 1.00
Day (8 a.m. to 6 p.m.) . . . 2.00
If the trip is extended beyond Victoria, half fare extra.
Victoria (With single driver).
Quarter hour . . . 0.05
Hour . . . 0.10
Every subsequent hour . . . 0.10
Night—Victoria extends from Mount Davis to Canby Bay and up to the level of Robinson Road. If the vehicle is discharged beyond these limits half fare extra is to be allowed for the return journey. Extra bearers or drivers and extra hours to be paid proportionate sums.

Mails.

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Proposed Sailings from Honkong.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) TUESDAY, March 2, at noon.
City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) TUESDAY, March 23, at noon.
City of San Francisco (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) TUESDAY, April 13, at noon.

THE U. S. Mail S. S. *CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, TO-MORROW, the 2nd March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and collect to break their journey at any point en route. Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States and Canada. Rates may be obtained on application. Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of \$4 in addition to the regular tariff rate. Passengers holding orders FOR OVERLAND TRIP in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination, the choice of direct lines. Particulars of the various routes can be had on application. Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families. Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's a specially equipped Steamer. Freight will be received on board until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day. All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same to be declared. Goods to be accompanied by a bill of lading, and to be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central, J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent, Hongkong, March 1, 1897. 320

Ccidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

MAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS. VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU. Proposed Sailings from Honkong.
Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) SATURDAY, March 13, at noon.
Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) THURSDAY, April 1, at noon.
Belgic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu) THURSDAY, April 22, at noon.

THE Steamship *GAELIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 13th March, at Noon. Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route. Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States and Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained on application. Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families. Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe. All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Goods to be accompanied by a bill of lading, and to be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco. For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central, J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent, Hongkong, February 24, 1897. 321

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS. STEAM FOR SAKON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX; AFRICA. PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE. ON WEDNESDAY, the 3rd March, at Noon, the Company's Steamship *CALEDONIA*, Captain L. BLANC, with MAIL, PASSENGERS, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, without Transshipment. Cargo and Specie will be registered for London and other Ports, and will be transhipped through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. and Parcel until 3 p.m. on the 2nd March. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Company's Office). Contents and value of Packages are required. For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office. G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent, Hongkong, February 20, 1897. 320

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STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA & BAUTIC PORTS; LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS. THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE. N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA. Proposed Sailings from Honkong.

Subject to Alteration.

Prussia Tuesday March 2.
Sachsen Tuesday March 20.
Bayern Tuesday April 7.
Prinz Heinrich Tuesday May 26.

ON TUESDAY, the 2nd day of March, 1897, at 4 p.m., the Company's S.S. *PRUSSIA*, Captain P. WETTER, with MAIL, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO will leave this Port as above, calling at Naples and Genoa. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on SATURDAY, the 27th Instant, Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 p.m., on MONDAY, the 1st March, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on MONDAY, the 1st March. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement. The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board. For further Particulars, apply to MELORES & Co., Agents, Hongkong, February 27, 1897. 269

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HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, February 27, 1897.
At 1020 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

Butcher Meat.			肉食	
Bacon, English, . . . lb.	—	—	來路烟猪	頭肉
" Am. Sugar cured . .	340	—	花旗烟猪	頭肉
" Focschow, . . . "	220	—	福州日本	烟猪頭
" Japan, cured . . . "	240	—	日本烟猪	頭肉
Beef sirloin & prime cut, catty	140	—	尾龍扒	猪
" Corned, . . . catty	140	—	鹹牛肉	肉
" Roast, . . . "	140	—	燒牛肉	肉
" Soup, . . . "	100	—	湯肉	二把
" Steak, . . . "	140	—	牛肉	腦
Bullock's Brains, . . . per set	60	50	牛腦	腳
" Tongue fresh, each	—	—	牛腳	牛
" " corned, . . . "	260	—	鹹牛	頭心
" Head, . . . "	660	—	牛頭	牛
" Heart, . . . "	150	—	牛牛	肩
" Hump, Salt catty	140	—	牛牛	腰
" Feet, . . . each	60	50	牛牛	尾
" Kidneys, . . . "	50	—	牛牛	肝
" Tail, . . . "	100	—	牛牛	肚
" Liver, . . . fatty 70	—	—	牛牛	仔
" Tripe (undressed) catty	60	50	牛牛	頭
Calves Head and Feet, set	560	—	牛頭	腳
Hams, American, . . . lb.	340	—	花旗火腿	金
" Chinese, . . . "	—	—	金華火腿	來
" English, Now, . . . "	420	—	來路火腿	日本
" Japan cured, . . . "	280	—	日本火腿	上海
" Shanghai, . . . "	230	—	上海火腿	羊
Mutton Chop, . . . "	150	—	羊	腳骨
" Leg, . . . "	130	—	羊	羊
" Shoulder, . . . "	120	—	羊	羊
Pigs' Chitlings, . . . catty	70	60	猪	鹹
" Feet, . . . "	110	—	猪	腳
" Fry, . . . "	160	—	猪	腳
" Head, . . . each	500	450	猪	頭
" Heart, . . . "	50	40	猪	心
" Kidneys, . . . pair	—	—	猪	腰
" Liver, . . . lb.	160	—	猪	肝
Port, Chop, . . . catty	180	—	猪	腳
" Corned, . . . "	—	—	猪	鹹
" Leg, . . . "	190	—	猪	腳
" Fat or Lard, . . . "	140	—	猪	油
Sheeps' Head and Feet, set	350	—	羊	頭
" Heart, . . . each	50	40	羊	心
" Kidneys, . . . "	70	—	羊	腰
" Liver, . . . lb.	150	140	羊	肝
Sucking Pigs, . . . each	\$1.75	\$1.25	猪	仔
Suet, Beef, . . . lb.	110	—	猪	生
" Mutton, . . . "	100	—	猪	生
Veal, . . . catty	130	—	猪	油

Perch,	catty	70	—	青魚
Pike,	"	300	—	花魚
Plaice,	"	300	—	斑魚
Pomfret, White	"	180	—	斑魚
Pomfret, Black	"	120	—	斑魚
Prawns,	"	240	—	明蝦
Ray,	"	50	—	琵琶魚
Rock Fish,	"	70	—	石斑公
Roach,	"	—	—	魚
Salmon, (Canton),	"	240	—	馬交魚
Shark,	"	50	—	鯊魚
Salt Fish,	"	100	—	鹹魚
Skate,	"	150	—	鯊魚
Shrimps,	"	150	—	蝦
Snapper,	"	150	—	魚
Soles,	"	100	—	立沙魚
Tench,	"	—	—	鰱魚
Turbot,	"	150	—	左口魚
Turtles, small, fresh weight,	"	250	—	海龜
Whiting,	catty	—	—	長魚
White Bait,	"	90	—	銀魚仔
FRUITS.				菓子
Apples, (California),	catty	250	—	金山平菓
" (Trentino),	"	—	—	天津平菓
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Bananas, fragrant,	"	50	—	香蕉
" (Ordies),	"	—	—	山香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese,	"	100	—	風栗
Cocamolas,	"	100	—	楊子
Cocoanuts,	cuch	50	—	椰子
Ground Nuts,	catty	90	—	花生
Grapes,	"	170	—	鮮提子
Lemons, China,	"	60	—	檸檬
" Pool,	"	—	—	桔餅
Liches, Dried,	"	250	—	荔枝乾
" Fresh,	"	—	—	荔枝
Limes,	"	—	—	檸檬
Mango, (Siam),	each	—	—	真南芒菓
" (Maurit),	"	—	—	呂宋芒
Mangosteen,	dozen	—	—	山竹子
Oranges, Sweet,	catty	40	—	新會甜橙
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NEW TEACHERS OF 18 BOLDEN

The fact that shipbuilders in the North are employed on orders for new ships; points out as noteworthy that with few exceptions the new vessels are of the same type—namely, cargo ships, which only a few years ago were considered almost abnormal. This, however, is only very ordinary tonnage goes, and the fact of so many ships of this size being hooked with short periods of employment, and the shipping development as regards dead weight carriers. Already this year the north-east coast centers have produced a large number of vessels, having a gross tonnage ranging from 10,000 to 16,000 tons, or more, including two approaching 12,000 tons. On the Clyde, too, this year, over a vessels have been launched having tonnages of 8,000, 9,000, and in several cases 10,000 tons, and others of such sizes are under construction. In other words, this year, as for the two previous years, will bear off the palm for the vessels produced and under way.

In the United Kingdom, the approximately 1,500 tons of the Hamburg-built *Pennsylvanien*, than, the *Pennsylvanien*, alone represent 15,000 tons dead weight capacity. Last year Messrs Harland and Wolff's seven in number, were considerably larger, the largest being 17,000 tons, to the *Fehmarn*, of 16,000 tons, average being as high as 8,300 tons. The German-owned *Pennsylvanien*, suggests the remark also, that it is no longer the German shipbuilding industry which rules the sea.

At Hull, England, Messrs. Messrs Blohm and Voess, of Hamburgh, average tonnage of vessels built during this year will also approach 6,000 tons.

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**WHAT ARE WE DOING OR UN-
DOING IN THE FAR EAST?**

London, Jan. 15.

The meeting of Parliament next week will furnish an opportunity for obtaining information from the Government as to the actual terms of the understanding which, there is now no room to doubt, has been consummated by the Russian Government and the Japanese Government, the details of which have been taken up in contemporary view of the exceedingly important character of the new arrangement to Chinese independence and to British chiefly, among other interests, for safeguarding those interests and maintaining our preponderant power in the Far East. What used to be called the Eastern Question is a sufficiently tremendous problem to tax all the resources of European diplomacy, but, as Lord Rosebery predicted, "For far eastern question is a word, in its etymology, and the magnitude of the interests concerned, tends first to overshadow all other subjects of international debate. In the preliminary sketches of this campaign Russia has employed a policy, vigour, and resolution worthy of Alexander the Great, and she, like the other Powers and already given her a commanding position. She has the advantage over her chief rivals, certainly over Great Britain, of having clear and fixed objects, purposes, with undeviating resolve, and sustained by extremely able statesmen of opinion, and carried out by methods which no constitutional Government is able to employ. Over Great Britain that gives her a marked advantage. The notion that British money is, or can be, less spent in the defence of the empire than that of the British Government is one of the most absurd and unreal of the many phantasms which popular suspicion on the Continent conjures up against Perfidious Albion. The time has long since passed of our commerce undoubtedly left us superior of our policy wherever it is directed to trade and territorial extension, to the maintenance of political influence, or the development of new markets, but the action and impetus

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2. Boxholders who desire to send Circulars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards, &c., all of the same weight, to addresses in Hongkong, or the Ports of China, may deliver them to the Post Office unsealed, the postage being then charged to the sender's account. Each batch must consist of at least ten.

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The Post Office declines all responsibility for Unregistered Letters containing Bank Notes or Jewellery and where Registration has been neglected, WILL MAKE NO REQUISITE into alleged losses of such letters.

11. It is forbidden to insert in any letter or Registered Correspondence (a) Current Coin (b) Articles liable to Customs Duty.

Parcels Post to the United Kingdom.
Parcels not exceeding 11 lbs. in weight are received in Hongkong and at British Post Offices in China, for transmission to the United Kingdom by P. & O. Packet and Gibraltar. The parcels to be sent to the Overland Mail via Brindisi. Parcels therefore arrive in London about eight days later than the Mail. Parcels may be sealed, but any parcel, even though sealed, is liable to be opened for examination.

Parcels must be posted in Hongkong before 3 p.m. on the day before the departure of the Mail. Those arriving from the Coast, &c., after this hour are kept for the following P. & O. Mail.

The Postage is 40 cents per lb., and 20 cents each successive lb. in excess of 1 lb. which includes Registration fee, and must be prepaid in stamps. No further charge is made in the United Kingdom except for Customs duty. No parcel must be more than 3 feet 6 inches in length, or 6 feet in greatest length and girth combined. A receipt is given for each Parcel.

The sender must fill up a form of Customs Declaration, which can be obtained free at each Post Office. No parcel can be accepted till this is completely and accurately filled. This only applies to parcels sent from China which are liable to duty as Tea and Tobacco.

Dangerous or perishable goods, articles likely to injure the Mails, Liquids (unless securely packed) or parcels easily crushed, such as hand-bags, are prohibited. No Parcel can be received if its value exceeds \$500. A Parcel may contain a letter to the same address as that of the Parcel itself, or another Parcel to the same address. No other articles are allowed.

With regard to inward Parcels, addresses are requested to observe that the Parcel Mail is not opened until the ordinary distribution of letters, &c., is finished. The postage on Parcels at home is 10d. per lb., the Regulations are generally similar to the above, and the Parcels are sent out via Gibraltar.

Indemnity for the Loss of a Registered Article.
The Post Office is not legally responsible for the safe delivery of Registered correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contents of such correspondence lost while passing through the Post, to the extent of \$10 in certain cases provided—
1. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.
2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.
3. That application was made to the Postmaster General of Hongkong immediately the loss was discovered, and within a year at the latest from the date of Posting.
4. That the Postmaster General is satisfied that the loss occurred whilst the correspondence was in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the sender, by destruction by fire, or shipwreck, nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any person not in the employment of the Hongkong Post Office.

5. No compensation can be paid for mere damage to fragile articles such as portraits, watches, tins, and sundries, &c., which, though their destination, although in a broken or deteriorated condition. Nor on account of alleged losses of the Contents of Registered correspondence which have reached their destinations. Nor on account of any article for which the addressee has signed a receipt.

Misuse or Delayed Correspondence.
When correspondence has been misused or delayed (both of which are liable to happen occasionally) all that the addressee need do is to note on the cover, sent to the sender, or forwarded to the Postmaster General. This action should be taken the first time use of complaint occurs; it is a mistake to let such matters pass for fear of giving trouble, a course which generally gives more trouble in the end.

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2. Circulars, &c., must not exceed 2 ounces each, and must be of uniform size and weight, &c., must be under 9 ounces each in weight. Heavier articles will be charged ordinary rates.

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5. Addresses must be complete. That is to say, on such covers as are not addressed to heads of houses the addressee's residence or place of business must be added. Incomplete addresses covers will be returned to the sender for redress.

Money Orders.
[Office hours—Sundays and holidays excepted] 10 to 4 weekdays 10 to 1, but the Office is open from 10 to 5 on the morning day before any mail for Europe, which leaves at noon.

[Money orders cannot be issued or cashed on mail mornings, when closing mails for Europe, unless a special arrangement has been made.]

1. Money Orders are issued at Hongkong and Shanghai at current rates of exchange on the following Countries and places:—
Canada.
China Ports (Hankow, Canton, Swatow, Amoy, Foochow, Ningpo, Hankow, and Shanghai).
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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

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Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloon shore k., and those in the body of the Harbour are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. & O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. & O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.

Vessel's Name.	Agent.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons net.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees & Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Balmoral	5	McRitchie	Brit.	2550	Feb. 26	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	S'pore & Colombo	To-day
Belgic	6	Hinder	Brit.	2695	Jan. 28	O. & O. S. Co.	Yokohama	To-day
Bombard	3	Buttler	Brit.	1955	Feb. 26	23bb, Livingston & Co.	Yokohama	To-day
Bygone	6	Polissen	Norw.	778	Feb. 26	23bb, Livingston & Co.	Yokohama	To-day
Candia	2	Wright	Brit.	4195	Feb. 26	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	To-day
Catharine Apear	6	Chen	Brit.	1735	Feb. 26	23bb, Livingston & Co.	Yokohama	To-day
Cherub	6	Morris	Brit.	1115	Feb. 26	23bb, Livingston & Co.	Yokohama	To-day
Chusan	5	Andersen	Ger.	624	Feb. 24	23bb, Livingston & Co.	Yokohama	To-day
City of Rio de Janeiro	6	Ward	Amer.	3158	Jun. 29	M. S. S. Co.	San Francisco	To-morrow
Devaogee	2	Harris	Brit.	1037	Feb. 26	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	To-morrow
Donner	3	Cerdemann	Belg.	1915	Feb. 26	23bb, Livingston & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
Empress of Japan	6	Chen	Brit.	1735	Feb. 26	23bb, Livingston & Co.	Yokohama	To-morrow
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